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1. THE NEED TO UPDATE THE DEFENSIVE SYSTEMS ON THE ARTICLE DUE TO ADVANCEMENTS BY THE OPPOSITION ENABLING COUNTERACTION TO THOSE PRESENTLY IN USE, REMINDS US THAT OUR EXISTING METHOD OF FLIGHT FOLLOWING A <sup>25X1A2g</sup> [REDACTED] MISSION MAY SOON BE IN JEOPARDY. AS YOU ARE AWARE, PRIMARY PLOTTING DATA IS NOW BEING OBTAINED THROUGH

PRIVACY CHANNELS ON A RELAY BASIS., ALTHOUGH CONSIDERED TIMELY AND ADEQUATE IN MOST CASES, THIS INFORMATION WILL MOST LIKELY BE DENIED US EVENTUALLY AS THE MANNER IN WHICH IT IS COORDINATED AND TRANSMITTED BECOMES MORE SOPHISTICATED. FLIGHT FOLLOWING IN THIS RESPECT COULD BECOME VERY CUMBERSOME OR EVEN IMPOSSIBLE. [REDACTED] IS GREATLY CONCERNED THAT THE ARDUOUS TASK OF OBTAINING [REDACTED] APPROVAL FOR [REDACTED] MISSIONS MIGHT BECOME MORE DIFFICULT IF THIS SHOULD OCCUR.

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2. THERE HAVE BEEN DISCUSSIONS REGARDING A [REDACTED] CAPABLE OF PROVIDING EXCELLENT AIRCRAFT POSITIONING AT GREAT DISTANCES. A SYSTEM OF THIS TYPE WOULD BE AN INVALUABLE ASSET TO THE OVERALL PROGRAM. REQUEST HQS ADVISE IF SUCH A SYSTEM IS UNDER DEVELOPMENT AND IF CONSIDERATION HAS BEEN GIVEN TO ADOPTING FOR THE NEW MODEL ARTICLE.

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3. IN REGARDS TO UPDATED SYSTEMS, THE PRESENT [REDACTED] SYSTEM, UNIQUE AS IT IS, MIGHT ALSO BE EXTENDED TO THE POINT OF "AFTER THE FACT" REPORTING IN EVENT OF CATASTROPHE. FOR EXAMPLE, WHEN THE LOSS OCCURED ON ARTICLE [REDACTED] THE [REDACTED] CEASED TO FUNCTION IMMEDIATELY. CRITICAL SENSOR STATUS AT THAT POINT WOULD HAVE BEEN EXTREMELY BENEFICIAL FROM AN INVESTIGATIVE STANDPOINT.

[REDACTED] RECOMMENDS THAT SOME THOUGHT BE GIVEN THIS SUBJECT.

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